

## Sisters' S. C. E.

## FROM THE PRESIDENT.

*Dear Christian Endeavorers:*—After a few days rest at Bro. Augustine's near South Bend, I started on Friday, May 22, for the west, stopping off one night in Chicago, with Dr. J. E. Roop, President of our National Mission Board. Bro. Roop and I called on Dr. Peter Fahrney, well known by reputation to many of our readers, and the Dr. kindly gave me five dollars for the Theological Chair. On Saturday I went to Cornell. There I found Bro. Bauman, the pastor in the midst of revival work. Four were baptized on Saturday, and five more confessed Christ on Sunday. Bro. Bauman is very young, but is earnest and active, and is serving the church very efficiently. How proud and glad we ought all to feel to see so many earnest and able young men now filling some of our pulpits, and filling them so well. We regret to know that the feeling manifested by some of our older brethren is not joy and gladness, but *jealousy* and *envy*.

The S. S. C. E. at Cornell has done splendid work, and we are glad to know that their love for souls reaches beyond the limits of their own congregation, so that they never fail to send their quota to the general work. They deserve much credit for the work they have done, and surely "they shall in no wise lose their reward."

My next point was Milledgeville. I left Cornell very early on Monday morning, but because of the storm on Sunday night which had washed out some of the road I failed to reach Milledgeville that day. Part of the way I had to take a different route from what I had intended, but by doing so, I unexpectedly met two gentlemen from Maryland, near my home, and who having come from there only a week before could tell me much of home. Not being able to reach Milledgeville, I stayed at Polo over night, and there visited with some old schoolmates, who had long been residents of Mapleville, Md., but have now been living in Polo for a number of years. How much pleasure it was to talk over the days gone by. In fancy, we visited again the scenes of our childhood, played again on the old school ground, recited again the hard lessons of the school room, and visited the old churchyard, where so many of our mutual friends lie sleeping.

On Tuesday we went to Milledgeville by private conveyance. We had a very pleasant meeting with the S. S. C. E. in the afternoon, and preaching services at night. The society there is always active,

never growing weary in well doing. We were only with them one night, yet we received substantial aid in our work. On Wednesday we went to Lanark. The afternoon was a rainy one and the evening very cloudy, so our congregation was not large. On Thursday afternoon we had a very pleasant meeting with some of the sisters, to talk over the work, and in the evening preaching services again, after which we tried to speak some words of encouragement to the S. S. C. E. There are some very earnest workers there and then others who do not give the work encouragement we think they ought to give. The new church at Lanark is beautiful and convenient, a house indeed to be proud of.

On Friday morning at two o'clock we left Lanark for Hudson, Iowa, reaching there in time to take dinner with Bro. Cain, with whom we had made our home during two protracted meetings held at Hudson. We remained at Hudson until Sunday noon, holding three services for them, and organizing their Ladies Aid Society into an S. S. C. E. Our visit among them was very pleasant and encouraging. On Sunday after services we went to Bro. Josiah Lichty's, near Enon church, where we held services Sunday and Monday nights. There they recently organized an S. S. C. E. which we hope will be one of our wide-awake societies.

Tuesday we went to Waterloo, and held one service for them, meeting also with their society on Wednesday. Quite a good number were present, and we spent a part of the day with them very pleasantly and we believe profitably. At three o'clock we left them and came to Garrison. Here they are building a church which they hope to dedicate this month. We are to meet the S. S. C. E. to-day, and to-night we will have services in one of their homes. This society is wide awake and at work.

At last we have had our Treasurer's report of the S. S. C. E. Now, dear Sisters, you who were behind time in your remittance, and you who are still delinquent, this delay has been due, not to our Treasurer, but to *you*. Won't you please remember this and remit promptly, Oct. 1. Notwithstanding this delay there is much in the report that is encouraging. We notice that seven societies that were delinquent last fall, have remitted on time this spring. We are glad to note that every society of Mich., and every society of Va. has remitted. And the lit-society at Ridgely, Md.—only a mission point, has not failed to send in her remittance. We regret to say that this had been the only society in Md. until recently one has been organized at Woburn.

We are glad to see that, though Homer church of Ohio has not yet accepted the S. S. C. E. yet she is interested in our work, and through her King's Children, sends us a donation. Thank you dear brethren and sisters: we have not forgotten the pleasant visit we had with you last winter, pleasant and profitable, in spite of the very inclement weather. We are grateful also to some dear sister of Zanesville who donates two dollars for our work.

During the first five years of our organization, the entire remittances were only \$150. Last week's report shows \$152.24 as the present semi-annual remittance. Is not this encouraging in spite of the fact that a number of societies have been delinquent. Let us put forth a special effort next Oct. to increase our remittance, and to be *prompt*. Let me urge those who have not remitted to do so yet. We need your remittance to meet our pledge to the Theological Chair. It means only a *dime* to each of you, but it means *dollars* to the Treasury. Let us rouse to the needs of the work. Let us do our duty.

LAURA E. N. GROSSNICKLE.

## PROGRAMME OF THE S. S. C. E. FOR JUNE

Topic: What Can We Give to Jesus?

1. Hymn—Take my life and let it be consecrated Lord to thee.
2. Prayer by President.
3. Hymn—Work for the night is coming.
4. Responsive roll call. Let members respond by reading or repeating a passage of scripture.
5. Reading of minutes of previous meeting.
6. Miscellaneous business.
7. Scripture lesson by President.—We can give him our willing, loving service. John 15: 8-14.
  - (a) We can give him our prayer. Eph. 6: 18; I Chron. 16: 11; II Chron. 7: 14.
  - (b) We can give him our loyalty. Heb. 13: 17, 24; Matt. 7: 12; 22: 21, 37-40.
  - (c) We can give him our zeal. Exod. 35: 21.
  - (d) We can give him our words. Mal. 3: 16.
  - (e) We can give him gifts. Prov. 3: 9; Mal. 3: 10; Luke 6: 38; 11: 41; Acts 20: 35; II Cor. 9: 6, 7.
  - (f) We can give him earnest consecrated lives. Eph. 4: 14, 15; I Pet. 2: 1, 2; Tit. 2: 7, 8; Amos 5: 14, 15.
9. Hymn—Blest be the tie that binds.
10. Repeat the Lord's Prayer in concert.

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